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MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS STANDARD OF CARE INHALATION INJURY

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History:	Signs/Symptoms:	Working Assessment:
History of exposure to smoke or chemicals	Burns to face, chest or mouth Carbonaceous sputum Singed nasal hair Dyspnea Altered level of consciousness	Inhalation injury
	Remove patient from toxic environment	1st Responder
	Routine medical care for all patients	BLS
	Cardiorespiratory	ILS
Begin CPR	arrest?	ALS
Apply appropriate cardiac arrest protocol	No	
	Evaluate degree of respiratory distress	
	ALS care required?	Contact medical control as necessary
	No No	Consider albuterol
	Transport to appropriate facility	
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NOTES:

- Adult patients (≥ 8 years old) who suffered burns with an inhalation injury are to be transported to the Burn Center.
- All patients with suspected CO poisoning with altered mental status and *without* associated burns or trauma should be transported to the closest hyperbaric chamber.
- Pediatric patients (< 8 years old) who suffered burns with an inhalation injury are to be transported to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.
- Pediatric patients (<8 years old) with suspected inhalation burn are to be transported to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.